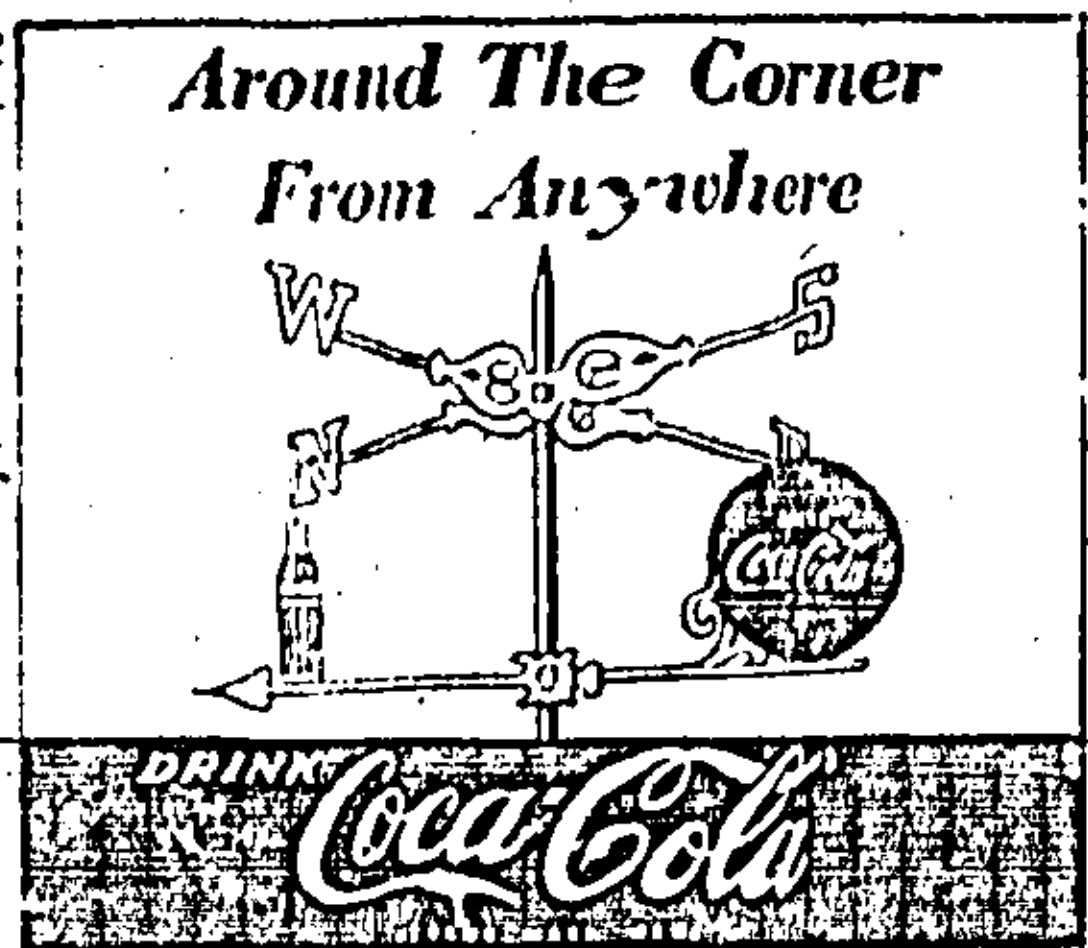


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BIG THREE GIVING PRIORITY TO EUROPEAN DEFENCE SYSTEM

New York, Sept. 12.
The Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and the United States today agreed to give first priority to organising a West European defence system, including the question of a West German contribution to it, at their meeting here.

The three Ministers met in the tower of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel here. Informal arrangements were made to revise the agenda to enable this item to be considered at their meeting later today.

An American spokesman said that the Ministers would agree on proposals on this subject for consideration by the Foreign Ministers of the North Atlantic powers who meet here on Friday.

He stressed that no final decision would be reached by the Foreign Ministers on arrangements for the defence of Western Europe against the possibility of aggression.

It would be for the Atlantic Treaty Council to make those decisions, he said.

He said the Ministers would today consider the organization of forces for the defence of Western Europe and the production and financial arrangements for Western European rearmament.

The announcement by President Truman of a substantial increase of the American forces in Europe had helped to create a favourable atmosphere for discussion of this question, the spokesman said.

The three Ministers were meeting in a closely-guarded top floor hotel suite to begin three-day talks which may have vital

G.B.S. Operation Successful

Luton, Sept. 12.
The doctor attending Mr. George Bernard Shaw at Luton Hospital said this afternoon that Mr. Shaw's condition continued to be "satisfactory". X-rays on Mr. Shaw's leg showed that the operation on his leg was a success and that the broken bone was in good condition.

In view of Mr. Shaw's age he would not be allowed out of bed for some time yet, the doctor said.

EDITORIAL

Empire's Heavy Loss

BY the death of General Jan Christian Smuts, who never recovered his remarkably robust health when smitten by pneumonia shortly after the national celebration of his 80th birthday, South Africa loses her most brilliantly distinguished statesman, the British Commonwealth mourns a stalwart whose breadth of vision and strength of character made him uniquely influential in Imperial affairs, and the world a man held in the highest esteem, one of the most engaging personalities of his day. For the British Commonwealth, his loss is a severe blow, for his place in the partnership, his tremendous practical contributions to Empire welfare were unparalleled, except possibly by one of his closest personal friends, Mr. Winston Churchill. It is no exaggeration to say that, in this era of international stress, General Jan Smuts is irreplaceable. Field Marshal, Prime Minister and philosopher-soldier, statesman, student—he was a notable figure in every sphere of activity. Beginning as a rebel against the British Government and as one of the most elusive leaders of communists in the Boer War—where he took Winston Churchill prisoner—he became the staunchest of the staunch in support of King and Commonwealth, the consolidator of genuine co-operation between the Union and other members of the Commonwealth, an inspiring influence. In South Africa, for the past two years, he reverted to the role of politician, undoubtedly the greatest living politician, but still a

focus of Party hopes and hatreds; personal loyalties and jealousy because of his clash with Dr. Malan, the Nationalist Premier, whose future policy includes secession from the Crown. In contemporary history, General Smuts was an elder statesman, whose views were respected all over the globe, the chief founder of the British Commonwealth of Nations, a creator of the erstwhile League of Nations, a world war leader of supreme value, one of the principal architects of the United Nations Charter. In the perspective of another half century hence, General Smuts's actual achievements, great as they have been, will surely become but a background to his status as a prophet and seer. His brow was the brow of a thinker. His eyes were capable of piercing contemporary events to comprehend the great secular movements of history. General Smuts threw himself with passionate zeal into stabilising the Union of South Africa following Britain's grant of a Constitution, creating the League, the Commonwealth, the United Nations, not as political tasks of the hour, but as steps in the march of humanity. Up to the moment of the sudden heart collapse which caused his death, it was not back to old triumphs and tribulations that his mind was turned, but forward to problems of a future in which his experience and wisdom can still lighten the path of those that come after. It may be long before we see his like again, to guide destinies with such unerring judgment.

The Cretan Romance



Principals in the extraordinary Cretan "Romeo and Juliet" romance, which brought the island to the brink of civil war, Thassoula Petrakoglou and her husband, Constantine Kefaloghiannis (in riding breeches) after their arrival at Athens airport after surrendering on Mount Ida. The Archbishop of Athens blessed the marriage but Constantine was arrested.

Attlee Government Not Reconciled To New German Army

London, Sept. 12.
The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, disclosed between the lines of his House of Commons speech today the main points of the Cabinet's brief to the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, on the vital question of German rearmament, lobby observers considered.

Mr. Bevin was today entering a critical debate on the German question with his French and United States counterparts, Mr. Robert Schuman and Mr. Dean Acheson, in New York.

The United States is expected to demand the creation of a strong German army composed of the combined forces of the North Atlantic Treaty Powers.

Mr. Attlee left no doubt in the minds of his hearers that Mr. Bevin had been authorized to the first time to support the creation of a West German army, contingent with the North Atlantic Treaty.

Indications from New York that the United States will press for a German armed contingent must at least raise the possibility that it may form the subject of a certain amount of cross bargaining.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Opposition leader, made it clear in his speech today that the Conservative Party is in line with the American Administration on the armed forces issue. His plea for still more British divisions for the Continent was expected by observers here to find an echo in West Europe.

HITCH IN GREEK POLITICS

Athens, Sept. 12.
Last-minute differences between Liberals and Populists on the number of Cabinet posts for each party led to a postponement of the swearing in of the new Greek three-party Coalition Government under the Liberal leader, M. Venizelos, until noon tomorrow.—Reuter.

FIERCE COUNTER-ATTACK BY U.S. TROOPS

Key Hill Position Captured In Taegu Advance

REDS RETREAT IN EAST

Tokyo, Sept. 13.
American forces of the First Cavalry Division fighting with their backs to Taegu, hit the Communists yesterday afternoon with a savage infantry, air and artillery attack.

Striking French Defence Plan

Paris, Sept. 12.
The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, will propose to the three-Power conference starting in New York today the immediate nomination of an American commander heading a full-scale general staff for Western European defence. A memorandum, which has not yet been made public, sets out French proposals for ensuring effective Western military defence in Europe, well-informed sources said tonight. France also calls for a pooled Atlantic nations war budget, these sources said.

New Method Of Delivery

Brisbane, Sept. 12.
Two 11-12 ton tractors were towed 40 miles under water by a crane lifted, then on to a wharf along Brisbane river. The tractors were brought by the salvage vessel "Boomerang" from the wreck of the freighter Marietta Dal, which foundered off Cape Moreton, near Brisbane, in May 1950. It took the "Boomerang" 20 hours to deliver the two tractors, which were slung five feet under a large, earlier diver Neil Todkill worked five and a half hours slinging the tractors together and securing them to the barge. Despite their long period under water, the tractors were still in good condition when landed and fetched a good price when auctioned off next day.—United Press.

Manhattan Tragedy

New York, Sept. 12.
Joseph Bonduant Ryan, grandson of Thomas Fortune Ryan, fell or jumped to death from his room on the 22nd story of a fashionable Manhattan hotel. Grandson of the railroad tycoon, Ryan was the first of Clement Ryan, the wealthy independent candidate for the New York mayoralty. Police identified the body from an American passport and personal and business papers. Ryan, 44, checked into Hotel Warwick on Monday. Police found no notes in his room.—United Press.

Peking Revalues Currency Upwards

San Francisco, Sept. 12.
Rising prices in America and Britain was the reason given by Peking Radio tonight for a change in the foreign exchange rate between the United States dollar and the Pound Sterling in relation to the Communist currency.

The Radio said that the rate for the United States dollar as quoted by the Bank of China was now C\$31,000 instead of C\$32,200, and that for the Pound Sterling was now C\$70,210 instead of C\$81,220. These rates, came into force on September 6. The reason for the change was that "prices in America and Britain have again risen by nearly four percent since mid-August," the Radio said, adding, "it will be recalled that since the outbreak of fighting in Korea, prices in America went up by more than 10 percent between the end of June and the second half of July." The Peking broadcast also reported that "State banks had extended the remittance service

Within a short space of time, they crashed through the Communist defences and captured a key hill position seven and a half miles north of Taegu.

An American spokesman in the fighting line said that resistance on the central sector along the east coast appeared to be melting as American and South Korean troops in this area — north-east of Yongchon — have advanced over seven and a half miles in five days.

A courier captured last night was bearing a message from a North Korean divisional commander to his corps chief.

It said, "We are suffering very much from the enemy. Because an anti-tank battalion has not come we cannot take action. In this situation we cannot hold the Yongchon front."

Enough Russian-made artillery, mortars and other weapons to fill 13 good wagons have been taken by the South Koreans and Americans in the Yongchon battle. The booty has been sent to Pusan.

General MacArthur's headquarters estimated that North Korean forces were losing 2,000 men a day in killed and wounded.

Light bombers and fighters ranged all along the front, rocket firing, and bombing troop concentrations and supply lines.

American Superforts bombed a partly underground arsenal at Kanni, about nine and a half miles north of Pyongyang, the North Korean capital.

Explosions following direct bomb hits sent spurts of flame skyward and a column of smoke rose 18,000 feet into the air.

The concussion of the tremendous blasts rocked the raiders 10,000 feet above the target.—Reuter.

General MacArthur's midnight release said that "large quantities of enemy arms and equipment were captured by the United Nations forces yesterday afternoon while ad-

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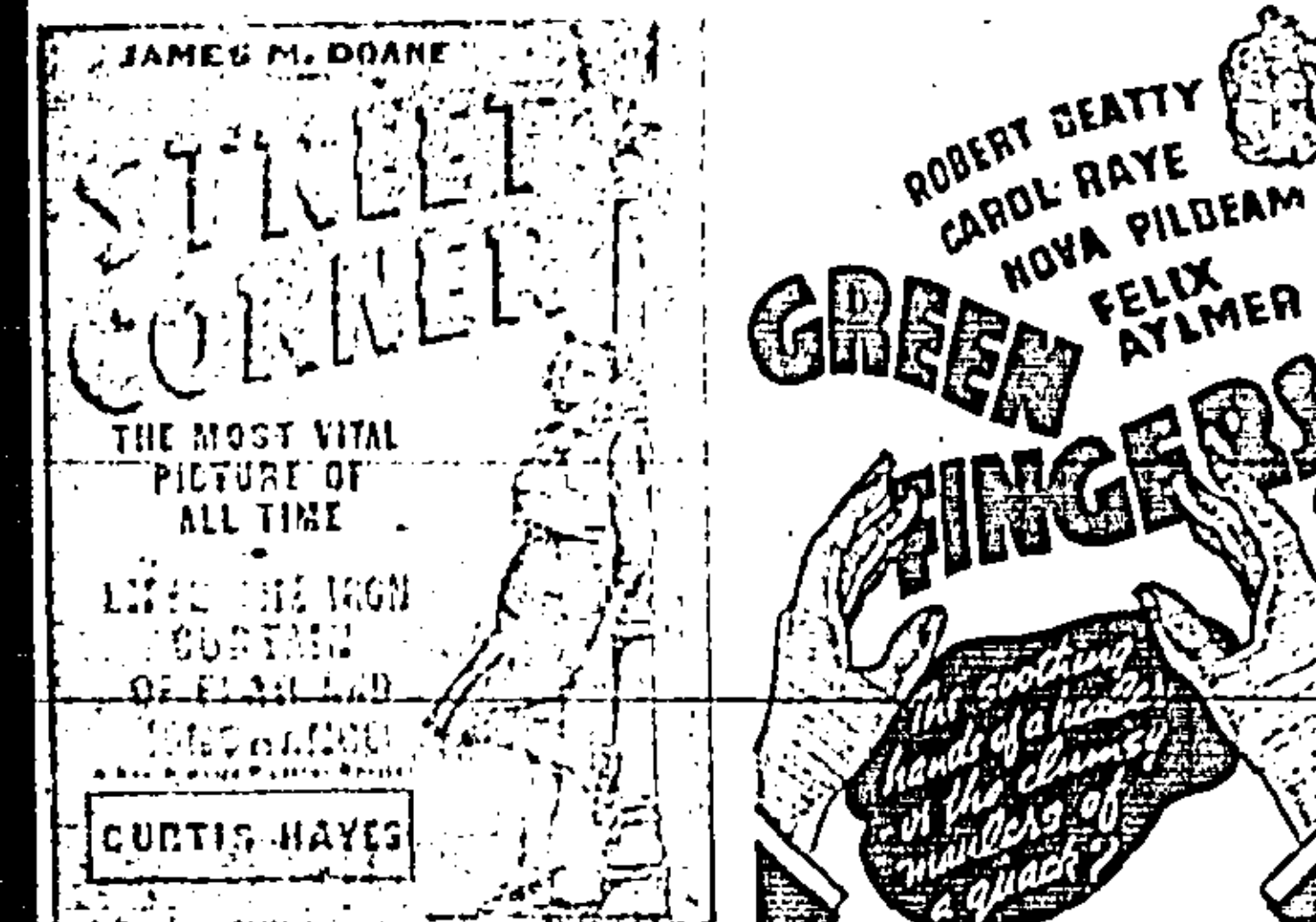


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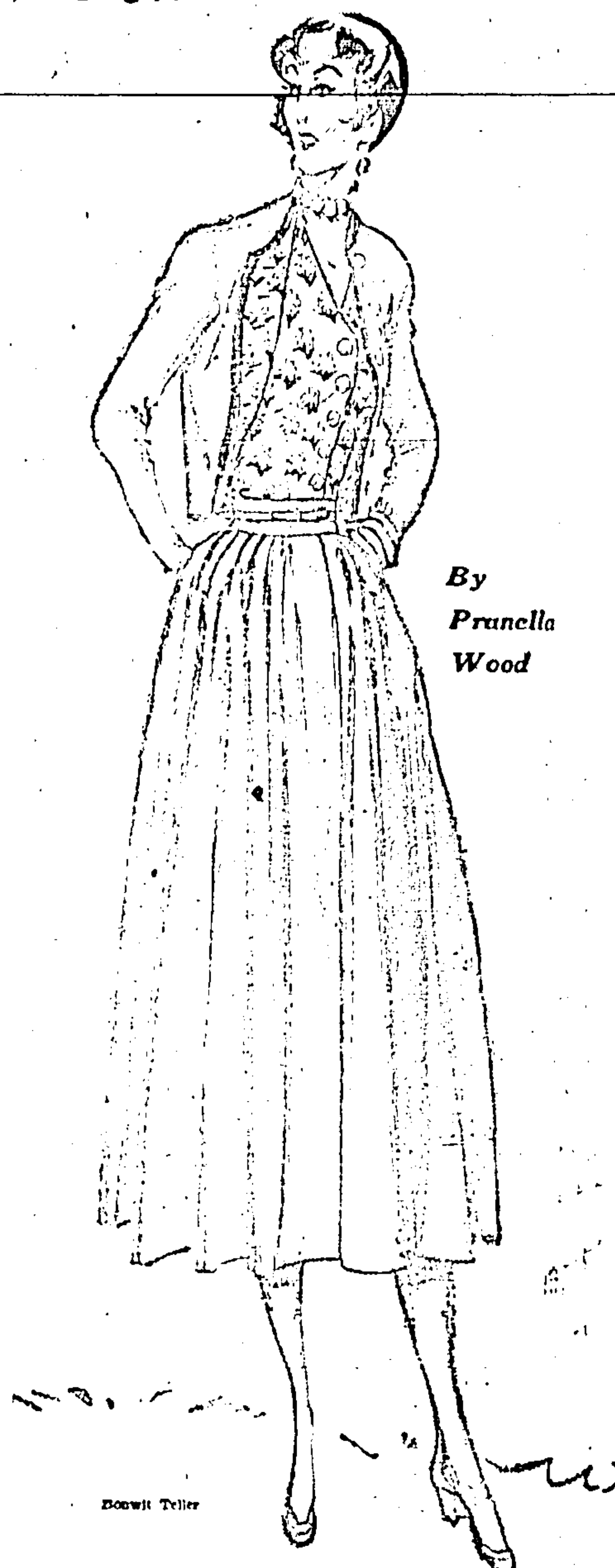
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Tie-Silk and Sweater



By
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Wood

THE spectator sports outfit, the de luxe sort which goes to Greenbrier, or to the local country club for its most gala daytime events, is a tried and true mainstay of the average woman's wardrobe. It isn't entirely struck on a country existence, either, and is quite frequently seen lunching at the Ritz.

This particular outfit sketched today gives us a one-piece frock with blue tie-silk skirt and daisy print attached blouse, and a blue cashmere sweater coat lined with the print, bound with blue grosgrain ribbon. Lepore designed it with a full skirt which lies flat under unpressed pleats, and a blouse equally flat with stitched pleats.

AN OLD NECK ADDS YEARS TO YOUR FACE

If your neck is lovely and your chin contour is firm, you may count yourself among the blessed, especially if you are no longer within finger-touch of your youth. But don't let it go at that. Cherish your good looks, gifts as if they were rare plants. Time is not on your side.

One of the important things to remember for your neck's sake is correct posture. Keep your head on the level, never let your chin droop. See that your spinal column is extended full length, when you are standing or walking. With that posture the chest lifts; when your chest is high, the muscles of the throat are in proper place, not relaxed, to soften and take on ugly furrows.

The way you walk into a room may determine whether or not the people there will be eager to meet you. Posture reveals character; the erect posture suggests courage, reliability, splendour of person; the slumped attitude is that of the discouraged soul or the lazy person.

Take care of your neck as you take care of your complexion. At night apply a heavy emollient, stroking it in with both hands, starting at the chest, working upward and outward in half circles. Stroke the throat up and down. Keep on using more and more cream, as it disappears. Do not stretch the skin with rough strokes. Pat and slap, all over the chest and shoulders, under the chin and along the jaw line.

By HELEN FOLLETT

WOMANSENSE

We'll see a big knit-story for teeners this autumn

THE 1950 autumn knit-story gives every indication of being a most important one in the teeners' sphere. An entirely new feeling in sweaters is evidenced at some American houses ready with dressier types adopted from French styles. These are geared toward teen agers.

A sweater for all occasions will be the main theme. Dress necklines, soft novelty sleeves, decorative types for evening, dates and a unique border set the piece in these new sweater fashions. Above all the cotton accent on wool sweaters will be singled out for special honours.

COTTON KNITS... the development of cotton is a major part of the autumn knitwear picture. Cotton sweaters in a range of autumn hues will be offered. The "cotton knit dress" is being cultivated in two-piece versions, scheduled in all size ranges. These are styles that will mix and match in a variety of different ways completely wearable and newly fashionable in patterns and solid

combinations with greater emphasis on stripes and checks.

NOVELTIES GALORE... Many of the houses which usually keep to a classic line announce that jacquards and embroideries are the important part of their collection this season. Allover patterns as well as chest and border patterns are being shown. Checks are following through in collars while box plaids are a good choice in wool knits. Stripes are a favourite in both the cotton and wool sweater sets.

NYLONS... are still a big talking point but manufacturers claim the allocations in this fabric will be even less than last year. To tempt buyers who will not be able to get their fill of nylon shrunk-proof features and the finest range of different textures will be ready in the wool. The colour range in nylon is more extensive.

NEON COLOURS... including lime yellows, pinky reds, penetrating greens, as well as coral and apricot are

STEPS TO TAKE... Before Sending Them To The Cleaners

By ELEANOR ROSS

IF you want to get the utmost in service, in value, from trades-people, domestic help, co-operate. Takes two to make a bargain, two to do a good job together. A friend was amused as she watched us work on a pile of garments and household items on their way to the dry cleaner. We went through pockets systematically, removed some valuable buttons, attached little notes telling what had caused various spots and stains. We did this as much for our sake as to make the task easier for

the dry-cleaner. Only takes a few minutes but what a help it is.

Articles left in clothing: to be dry-cleaned present one of the big problems to the dry-cleaning industry. Good establishments, of course, search pockets and brush out lint and tobacco particles before garments are cleaned.

Search pockets, too, for matches of the strike-anywhere variety. Sometimes they are so tightly wedged in a pocket or worked into a lining that unless the apparel is gone over thoroughly at home before being sent out, the ordinary inspection at the plant may fail to reveal such a hazard. And a hazard it is, since if matches left in pockets are not discovered during the deodorising process that follows dry-cleaning, it can mean a serious fire.

Identify Stains

As for stains, these should be identified if possible. This is important especially if the stain is uncommon one. Garments should receive attention as soon as possible after being stained, since some marks are very difficult to remove after they have aged or worked and set into the fabric. Many stains cannot be removed in the general dry-cleaning process but require special techniques and agents. Don't press garments stained with fruit juice between professional cleanings. Even though the stains are small, if they are barely visible, the heat of the iron may transform them into unremovable brown spots.

Use care in applying perfume for sometimes it causes colour to "bleed." Follow directions faithfully when using deodorants and anti-perspirants, and be careful with nail polish and polish remover.

Indispensable Blacks

A supplementary group of day-time blacks — dresses and little-jacket dress outfits — shown at Nettie Rosenstein includes the short fitted jacket which can be tucked inside the skirt and, with belt added, looks just like a dress.

These clothes are built for summer comfort to wear in June or September. Full skirts and low necks with and without jackets. Bare arms are made more wearable for more women by can-length sleeves or in altogether sleeveless models, extended drooping shoulders.

Black crepe and heavy-draps are numbered most. The thin sheers — silk organdie, georgette making another group for dress-up. Some of these even in silk organdie, have shirtwaist character.

The allover fine plisse dress, the pleats pressed out for the lower part of the skirt, is among the dress-ups, and for summer evenings is the silk organdie in lovely colours — ginger, mauve-blue.

Sky blue puts black in a summery mood, used for collars.

New Weapon To Combat Whooping Cough

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

WHOOPING cough is a dangerous disease, particularly in children less than two years of age.

Starting gradually with symptoms much like those of an ordinary cold, it steadily grows worse until the typical whoop develops. Coughing attacks are severe and are often followed by vomiting. After a week or so of this, the child is not only exhausted from the repeated coughing but weakened by poor nutrition.

Until now we have had no specific treatment for this disease, though streptomycin has been used with benefit in many instances, and penicillin has proved a great boon in checking the pneumonia which is one of the most dangerous complications of whooping cough. Recently, one of the newer antibiotics — aureomycin — has been tried in the treatment of whooping cough. Aureomycin has the advantage in that it may be administered by mouth.

Used in Animals

Before trying the aureomycin in human beings, it was used in animals infected with whooping cough. It was shown that in these animals the aureomycin delayed the time of death in many instances and in some cases prevented the death of the animals.

Following these experiments, the aureomycin was used in the treatment of 20 patients with whooping cough. The results obtained were compared with those in a larger group of patients treated in other ways.

Found Effective

It was found, in general, that this treatment shortened the course of the disease. In cases treated early, the results were dramatic, in that complete recovery followed a few days of treatment, and in all instances there was a gradual lessening of the number and severity of the coughing attacks. In no case was there any reaction to the treatment. It was particularly noted that coughing at night was rapidly overcome by the aureomycin. Vomiting was also checked.

Although these results indicate that aureomycin may have a great deal of value in the treatment of whooping cough, it must be tried out in a larger number of cases before its exact benefits may be determined.

Deanna Has No Plans Yet

Deanna Durbin has no plans to go back to the U.S.A. for a long time. She and Jessica are living in a small house outside of Paris and they are enjoying the simple life. She and Charles David have not as yet set the date.

Effective Ensemble



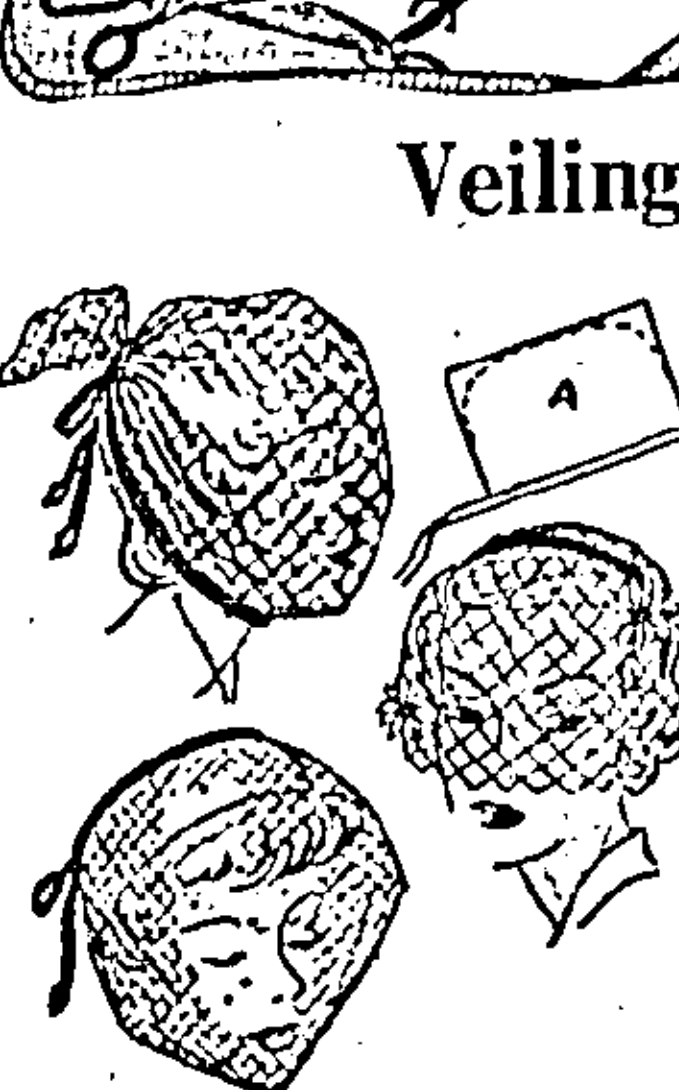
Raspberry red jacket dress.

By VERA WINSTON

A NICE summer choice for town or country wear is shown here, a good selection for either the youthful or more mature figure. The snug jacket with its own self-pinned collar repeats the fitting-out, pointed pocket effect that marks the open-necked dress bodice. The same detail is repeated at the hips. The skirt is fully flared and a centre side fastens to below the waist. Pure silk crepe in a rich raspberry-red — is the fabric used for this effective ensemble.

Your Sewing Scrapbook

by
Mary Brooks Picken



Veiling Charmers

Almost-a-hat is shown at right. A velvet-covered bicycle clip anchors a flower-trimmed veil firmly in place. Buy at your favourite shop 2/3 yd. 9" "fisherman's net" coarse veiling, 1/2 yd. matching velvet tubing and a bicycle clip.

Veil shown is trimmed with daisies, but carnations, tiny roses or small clusters of field flowers would be equally attractive. Change about to match your dresses or as flowers lose their freshness.

Insert clip in tubing. Tie a knot in ends, close to clip ends and trim excess tubing. Interlace covered clip through one long edge of veil; tuck in place 1" from knot. Gather short edges and tuck in place just above knot. Try on veil and fasten flowers in most becoming spot by bending stems. Tack to hold, if needed.

Dressed-Up Pillowbox

Perk up a plain pillowbox with a festively dotted veil tied with this summer's favoured velvet.

Buy 3/4 yd. medium-mesh veiling with fine chenille dots and 1 1/2 yds. matching velvet tubing.

Interlace ribbon through one long edge of veiling, catching it in about every 4th mesh, until loops ends are even. Gather ends of veiling to 1/4".

Lay veil over pillowbox with tubing following front edge; tie bow at centre back. Tack gathered ends in place on tubing. This veil may be worn cut away if desired.

TOMORROW: MAKE YOUR OWN CARPET BAG

Thirsty Bottle Baby



VALLI, a 200-pound baby elephant, isn't one to cry over spilt milk—as long as she gets enough. The smallest pachyderm ever to arrive in England, Valli recently was shipped from Ceylon. Zoo keeper Laurie Gladwin has to feed the impatient youngster often and plenty. (Acme)

London Diary:

SADLER'S WELLS U.S. TOUR LEAVES BALLET WIDOWERS

SAD ballerina who leaves soon with Sadler's Wells Ballet for their American tour is Beryl Grey. A few weeks ago she married Swedish doctor Sven Svenson. Now she must leave him in London; she will not see him until after Christmas.

Miss Grey, 22, wore a diaphanous cocktail dress of six layers of pink and black lace and tulle at a reception for the dancers. This is part of her new wardrobe for the tour.

But she talked more about her new home than about her clothes. "We have taken a big flat at Mayfair. My husband will have to do the moving. I escape the hard work," she said.

Another "ballet widow" who will supervise a move into a new home is barrister Patrick Back, husband of soloist Gillian Lynne.

HUSBANDS SHARE HOME

She is 24, wears her hair in two side-swept rolls. Her new cocktail outfit, a slim-fitting black suit with lapel embroidery of cord and pencil blue brilliants.

She and her husband are taking a house in Chelsea. While she is away he will share it with his friend Charles Gordon, husband of ballerina Patricia May.

"I trust they will cook for each other, and keep the home tidy," says Miss Lynne.

More fortunate is dancer Christine du Boulay, attractive green-eyed blonde. Her husband, Richard Hills, is also in the company. They will tour together.

TRAM TRACK FOLLY

At the corner of Lambeth Palace Road near County Hall, scores of labourers and technicians are laying half a mile of new tramway track. Hard-pressed taxpayers stop and stare. They are astonished at the waste.

Tram routes 26 and 31 use this road regularly. But they cease to operate on October 1. Trams 22 and 24 use the road in peak hours. They are being withdrawn in January.

Official explanation for this folly is that the diversion will help to cope with extra traffic during the Festival of Britain.

Nine services now using the Embankment will use the new track. Four of these services will come to an end in 1951. The others will cease early in 1952.

So London Transport celebrate the decision to scrap the trams by laying down track that will be torn up again after a few months.

CASTLE FOR SALE

Pennsylvania Castle, a castellated house of about 15 rooms, at Portland, Dorset, is for sale. It has been for three generations in the family of Mr W. J. Sanson, a local quarry owner. He is selling because he finds living there too expensive.

The castle was built at the end of the 16th century for John Penn, grandson of William Penn, then military governor of Portland.

In the 10-acre grounds is a ruin called Rufus Castle built,

Rebuilding Of Gray's Inn Going Rapidly

London.

A heartening sight for the visitor in London, but one easily missed on the way from the West End to the City, is to be had on turning aside from Holborn through the main archway into Gray's Inn.

This southerly approach to the Inn finds Francis Bacon on his pedestal, sharing one of his delightful "walks" or gardens with the craftsmen who are restoring that jewel of Elizabethan architecture, the Great Hall of Gray's Inn, to the form in which generations of lawyers and Londoners knew it from 1559 to 1941.

Recording its loss by bombing, *The Times* lamented:

"Of the hall, chapel and library, only the walls are left, but all the stained-glass of the hall and chapel, some of it fourteenth century, was removed early in the war. The Great Hall was built in 1559-59 in place of a hall which was destroyed by fire. The greater loss is the hammer-beam roof, which was described as one of the most graceful in existence. The Banqueting Hall Table, 'a mighty bear of oak' made in 1743, was destroyed."

That was in May 1941. Within two years a master plan for the rebuilding was prepared and presented by the architect, Mr Edward Maufe, R.A., and the designs were exhibited at the Royal Academy.

Progress has been rather more rapid than seems to have been expected, even by "Master" Churchill, who, as a member of the Inn, opened a temporary library in the gardens four years ago. He then declared that the day would come when he did not expect to live to see it when they would once again open their ancient hall, renovated and renewed.

The builders, Messrs. Trollope and Colls, hope that this day will come not later than September of next year.

CHEAPER AFLOAT

The owners find living aboard far cheaper than in the 13 a day hotels. They buy victuals directly in the markets.

They pay no fees for shelter in the basin at Deauville. Only charge is 4s. a day for a wooden companion-way from yacht to shore. They are a few minutes' walk from the Casino.

Yachtmen bound for foreign ports can buy whisky at home free of revenue at 68s a case. Yachts smaller than 30 tons are not eligible to get tax-free stores at home. But they can buy British brands of cigarettes on shore at 11d. for 20, and wines, liquors and food at much lower prices than in Britain.

FAITHFUL REPRODUCTION

Both these halls were famous for their hammer-beam roofs, built in different styles within 10 years of each other. The Middle Temple evidently in emulation of Gray's Inn; and both were famous for their superb carved oak screens, which bear distinct resemblance.

The roof of Middle Temple Hall was only partly damaged,

but that at Gray's Inn was destroyed. Fortunately its details had been recorded, and are now being faithfully reproduced. In addition the Hall will contain the original screen, heraldic stained glass and two of the old tables. The craftsmen are now at work in South Square, fashioning the timbers of the new roof much as their predecessors did nearly 400 years ago, except that they now have machinery for planing and moulding. Their material is 200-year-old timber selected from oak trees grown on Kenilworth estate, and seasoned for periods of from 12 to 15 years.

"Logs" of the size required were not easy to find. The main members are 31ft. long and 15in. by 9in. in section, and they make up five main trusses each weighing 4½ tons, and two half-trusses for the ends.

In one detail the technique now used improves on that of the Elizabethan craftsman. The way in which the mortice and tenon joint is now dispensed with, because tensional stresses in the various members are better taken by bolts than by pegs.

The bolts used are of bronze, as the oak, even after seasoning, remains sufficiently moist internally to corrode a mild steel bolt in a short period.

PREVENTING DECAY

To prevent decay, precautions are being taken that look forward some centuries. The oak is being treated with preservative to protect it from attack by wood-boring insects. Wherever timber rests on brickwork, air-spaces are left to prevent the danger of dry rot.

Each truss of the hammer-beam roof is first assembled in the square, then dismantled and raised in sections to the scaffolding, there to be reassembled and eventually hoisted in position by derrick.

The original design of the Great Hall is being improved upon for a new great bay window is being formed on the south of the hall thus allowing an even more "mighty" beam for the Banqueting Hall Table than before—26ft. long.

This new bay carries on the tradition of the medieval Hall; the Elizabethan builders of Gray's Inn presumably did not build one because at that time the south side of the Hall did not give on to the property of the Inn.

There was once a porch on the north side and this is being rebuilt as a screen, connected by lifts with a lower screen in the undercroft. The entire floor of this undercroft will be lower than before in order to provide the series of service rooms necessary for the proper functioning of the Hall.

As the rebuilding of Gray's Inn proceeds in accordance with the master plan, the chapel, house premises, and library will rise again, giving the Inn an unrivalled series of buildings, all, for the first time, communicating and in correct sequence.

North Korea Admits Heavy Damage

Lake Success, Sept. 12. North Korea told the United Nations today that all its heavy industry and most of its medium and light industry had been completely destroyed by the American Air Force.

This startling acknowledgment was contained in a demand from the Foreign Minister of the North Korean regime to the UN Secretary General, Mr Trygve Lie, and the President of the Security Council, Sir Gladwyn Jebb, to take immediate steps to put a stop to such crimes of the American interventionists in Korea.

The complaint was received as the Council met to debate Communist China's charges that American planes had raided Manchuria—United Press.

Yankee Gun Crew In Korea



AN American mortar crew on the Nakdong River line awaits the signal to commence firing on North Korean Communist troops. (Acme)

FLYING MILEAGE MILLIONAIRES

Six London BOAC skippers claim the title Mileage Millionaires. They have spent, between them, more than seven years of their lives in the air.

London-born Captain Eric James Finnegan, who has spent nearly two years in the air, is known as a Double Mileage Millionaire.

He has flown more than 2,500,000 miles in land or sea-plane.

The only Londoner, and one of the few men in the world to have made more than 250 Atlantic air crossings, is Captain Kenneth Buxton, who commands a BOAC Straker on the New York run.

FARMER TO PILOT

Another senior BOAC pilot, living in London, Captain Aeneas Buchanan Dykes, recently completed 2,000,000 miles flying, equal to 10 circuits of the equator. For ten years he was a Buckinghamshire farmer.

London-born Captain Stephen Gordon Blackaller, a BOAC veteran at 35, trained for a career on the sea, but joined Imperial Airways in 1936, and has also exceeded 2,000,000 miles in the air.

Westminster-born Captain William Griffiths joined the RAF at 14. Yet another 2,000,000-mile man, he is now a flying instructor.

The sixth mileage millionaire is Captain Clive Houlter, London-born, who planned a career as a research chemist.

Mead Stock Accumulates In Britain

Mead, Britain's oldest alcoholic drink, the making of which on a commercial scale has been revived in Cornwall, after 400 years, may have a place of honour at the Festival of Britain.

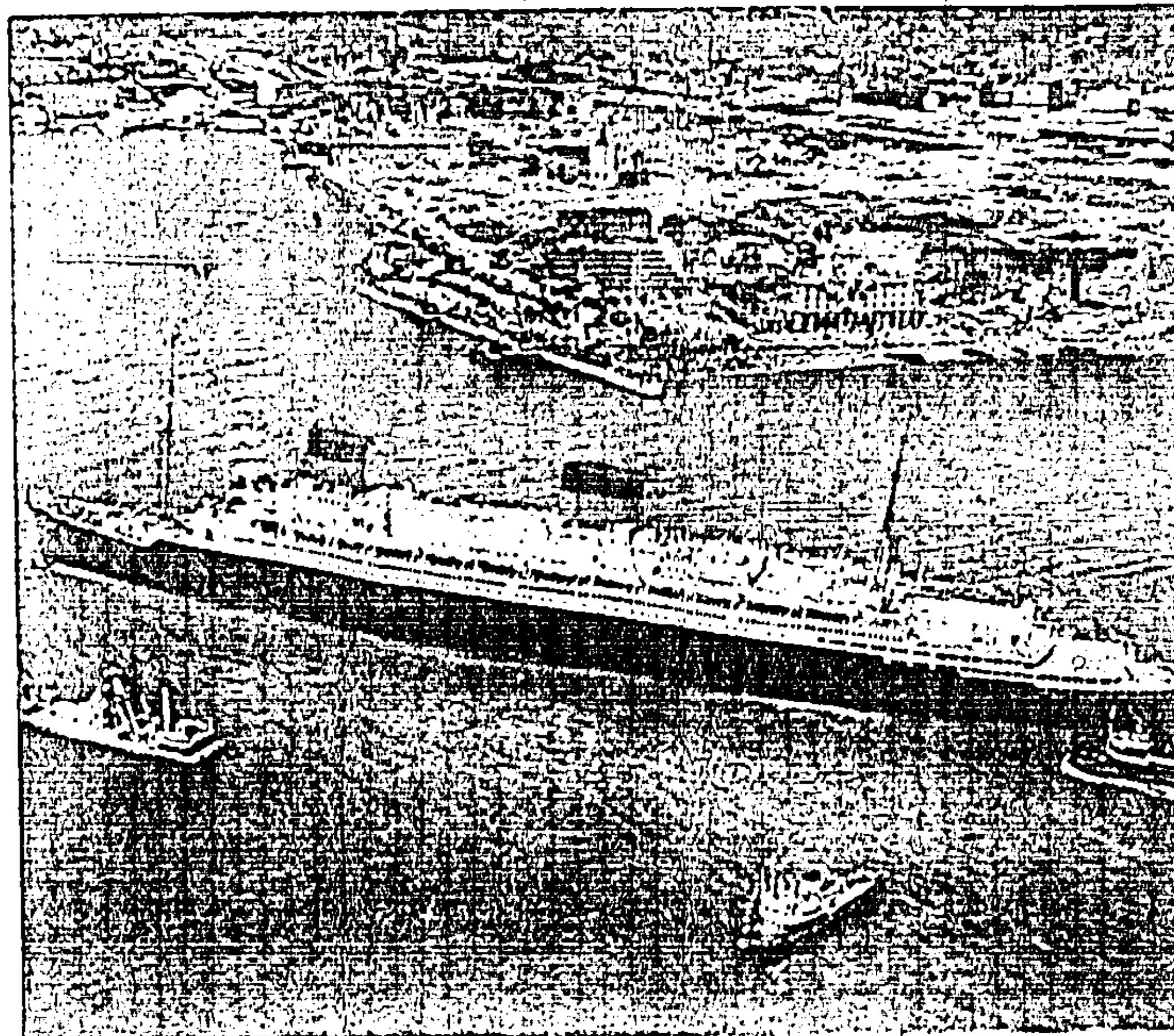
This was mentioned during celebrations at the second Cornish mead festival since the time of Chaucer.

Already a stock of meads has been built up to the value of £140,000, and an output of 60,000 gallons a year, or approximately 500,000 bottles, is being maintained. Between 60 and 70 percent of the mead goes abroad as a dollar-earner.

The first honey harvest festival service to be held in Britain was conducted by Canon Buckley, Vicar of Gillingham. He said the service would become as regular as the annual harvest festival services.

Lt.-Col. G. R. Gayre, Britain's leading authority on mead-making, said they intended to produce a mead brandy and two mead liqueurs.

Now Flying The Tricolour

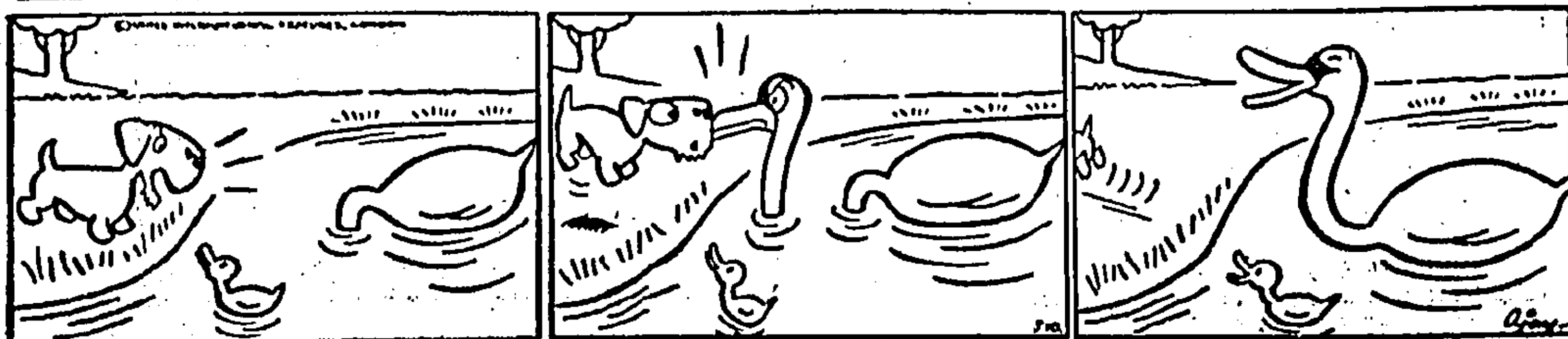


THE old Europa, once proud vessel of a once-proud Germany, moves majestically into LeHavre, France. Renamed the Liberte, she will join the Ile de France and the DeGrasse as the third French luxury liner on the LeHavre-New York run. Fire and water damage to the ship was repaired at the dockyards of Saint Nazaire. The Liberte will carry 1,523 passengers. (Acme)

Back In Shape



A WINSOME miss strolls by the reconstructed Sanlach Autobahn bridge near Munich, Germany. Blown up by retreating German armies during World War II, the bridge was rebuilt almost entirely from old parts at a fraction of the cost of a new bridge. A Bavarian construction company raised the 2,200-ton piers with hydraulic pumps, and 14 days were required to raise each part. (Acme)



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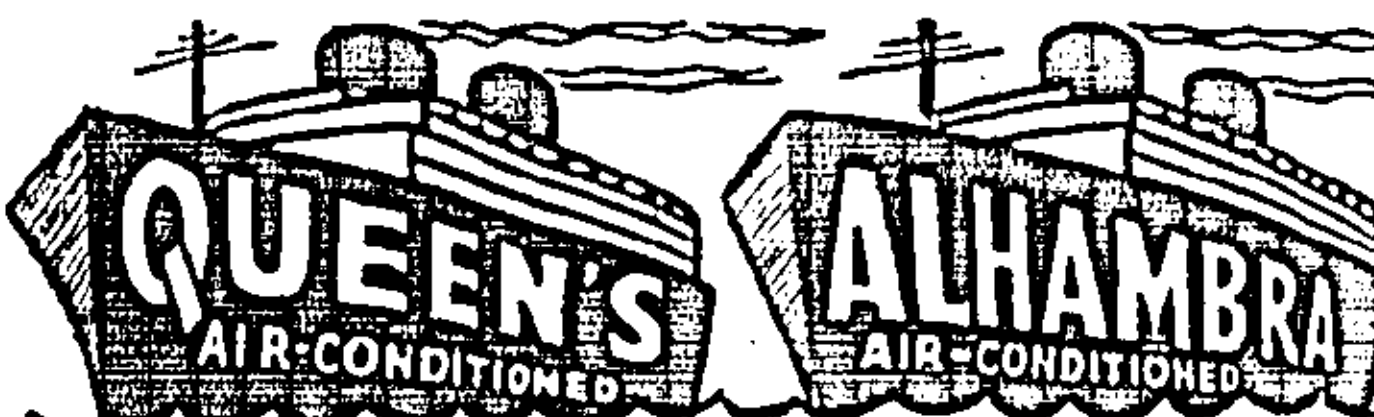
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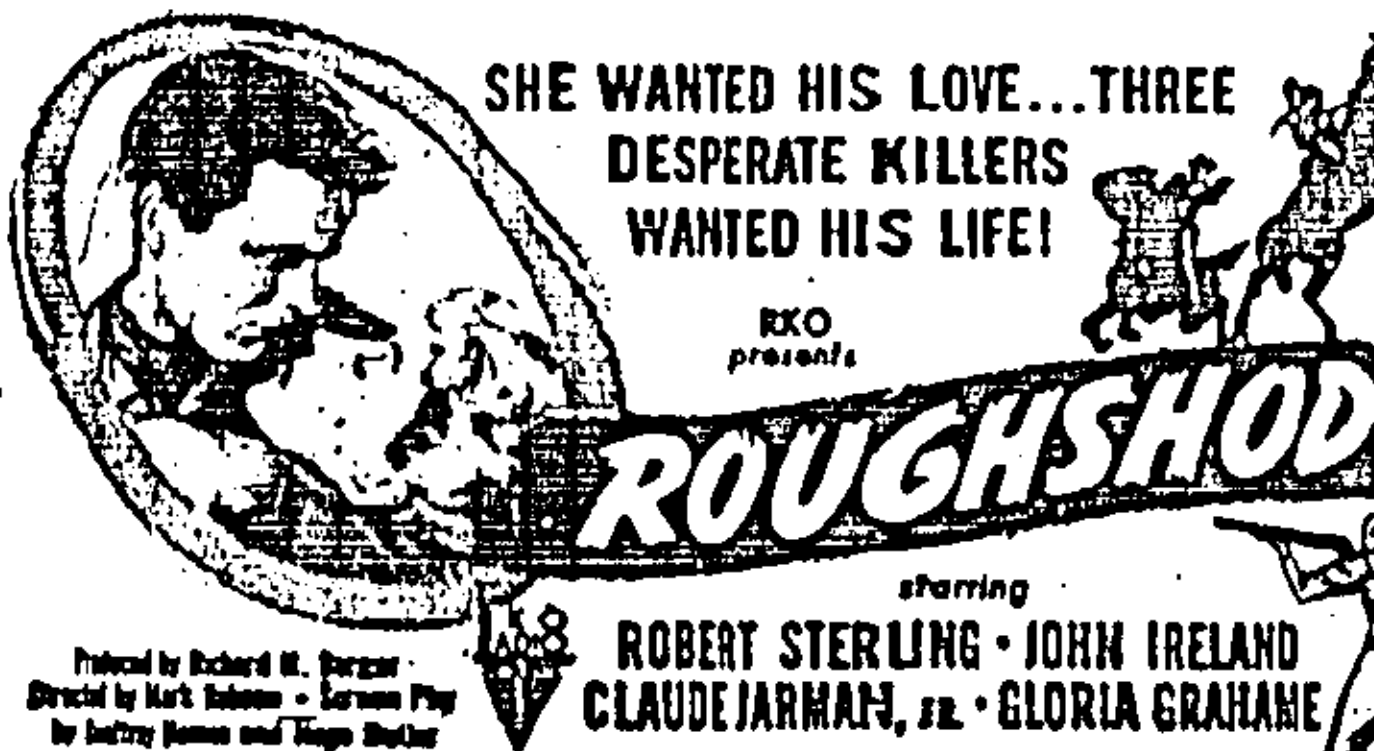
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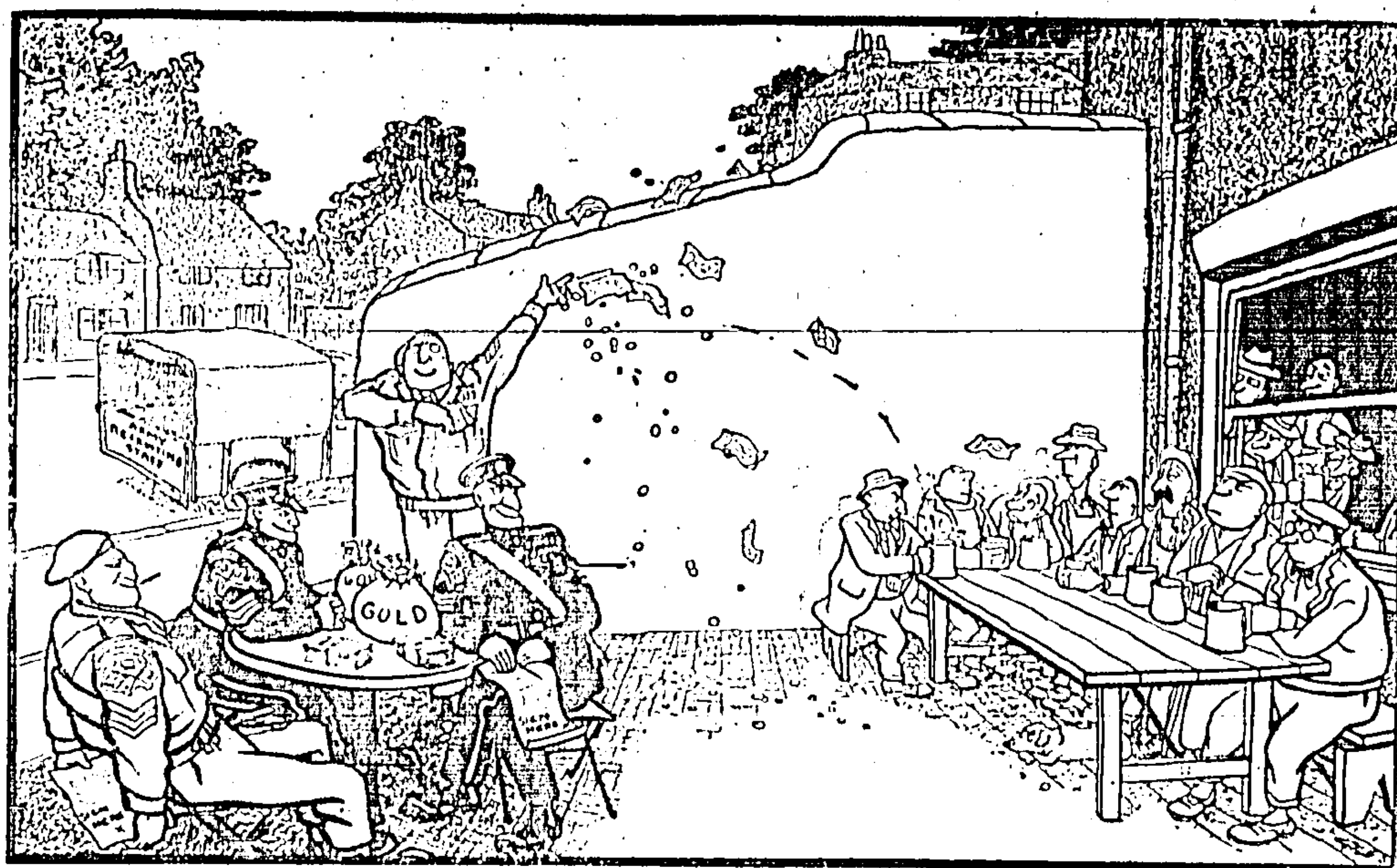


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"Who'd be a soldier—and have all your pockets cluttered up with this stuff?"

London Express Service

Sitting on the Fence.... by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

A worried girl writes to a woman columnist—

"I am 21 and was quite happy at my work until the manager made advances to me. For some time I evaded them, but now he has changed his mind and is alone in the office with me. He is married and over 40. How can I discourage him?"

If you care to chance your arm on the sack, dear, you could try this method.

ALONE at last. Aren't we lucky?

Well, I am then. But you may be lucky too. I don't suppose you'd say no to a fur coat this autumn.

I always say no to fur coats. Not only do I consider them vulgar, but they are also obtained by torturing animals in traps.

Oh, come off it, sweetheart. And it's no good offering me a diamond ring, either. Jewels are also worn mainly by the rich and vulgar. Gold and diamonds are obtained by slave Negro labour in South Africa.

Well, well. Quite a little Red, aren't you?

Nor will I accept a champagne dinner. Alcohol not only befuddles the brain and distorts the mind; it weakens the will to resist evil. Moreover, I consider it immoral to eat more than one requires at a high cost, while millions go hungry in Asia. Shall I sit on your knee?

Why, of course, sweetheart. You don't have to ask.

I asked because most men of your age have rheumatism. Are you very old?

Me? No. They say the middle forties is the prime of life.

I expect it's your muddy, purplish complexion and large stomach which give you the impression of senility, though I suppose your appearance is largely due to over-indulgence. Is your wife hideous too?

You can leave my wife out of this.

Little fat men like you always marry hideous women and spend the rest of their lives pestering youth and beauty. Am I hurting your knee?

You couldn't hurt me, beautiful. I say, let's talk about something nice. I've got a proposition to make to you.

And I have a proposition to make to you. Will you marry me?

You know I can't do that, sweetheart. There's my wife.

You can poison her.

Really, sweetheart, you're joking.

No, I'm not. You want love. I want money. Don't let individuals stand in the way of our mutual happiness. Are you rich?

Oh, cut it out.

When you have disposed of your wife you can make a new will in my favour. Then I will marry you.

Thanks for nothing.

But as you are too unhealthily to live long, I shall soon be a happy and contented widow. Shall we finish those letters we started this morning?

Home doctor

Mrs. Margaret A. McGuire, of Seattle, U.S., has been granted a divorce because her husband "made her life unbearable by continually psycho-analyzing her."

KNOW why these beans are underdone? Because I took 'em out of the water too soon, I guess. What else?

Oh, no. That's not the real reason. The real reason is because when you were a little girl you were jealous of your baby brother.

For crying out loud. Are you crazy?

No, I'm not crazy. I'm learning you somp'n about psycho-analysis. Think right back to your childhood. Didn't you want to boil your little brother alive?

No, I didn't want to boil my little brother alive. So there.

You don't think so now because you've forgotten. It's a hateful memory buried way back in the sub-conscious.

What the heck's that got to do with underdone beans, anyway?

Because when you were boiling the beans you were symbolically boiling your little brother. Leave my little brother out of this will ya?

At the last moment you had a fit of remorse. So you took the beans out of the water before they were properly boiled. Just as you would have taken your little brother out of the water before he was properly boiled.

Is that so?

It was the same with the burned bacon for breakfast. You burned the bacon because you hated your father.

Am I supposed to have fried my father alive now?

Not at all. It's not as simple as that.

I'll say it isn't, seeing he weighs all of 250lb.

What happened in your sub-conscious mind this time is that you transferred your hate fixation from your father to me.

That wouldn't be difficult.

You thought you were cooking his breakfast, not mine. So, until you let me cure you, I shall always have to eat underdone beans and burned bacon.

You certainly will. And what's more, the pot roast for dinner tonight will be burned up, too. It'll be your dear mother I've roasted alive.

Magnetic men

A Mr. A. E. Rose, writing to The National Family Morning Newspaper, says that when he was in the Navy it was noticed

that his head always swung to the north as he sat in the barber's chair. When the captain heard about it he had Mr. Rose sit in the barber's chair from the deckhead. The ship was then turned through 350 degrees and Mr. Rose always swung to the north. "The possibilities of a human compass needle became at once apparent to the captain."

"No doubt you will hear more of this scheme," Mr. Rose adds, "though when suspended in alcohol the human needle is not too accurate."

YOU will hear more about it now.

When I was in The Home Guard much the same sort of thing happened.

Off duty, sentries slept in the hall of the golf club and, as we were usually suspended (to some extent) in alcohol, we swung wildly in all directions, though the general tendency was towards the bar, which was north of the hall.

Sentries returning to the club after two hours at the observation post were not quite so suspended in alcohol, and were therefore more accurate as human compass needles.

The moment they entered, their heads swung north towards the bar. The magnetic pull was so strong that they were inside before you could say Hell Schickelgruber.

—(London Express Service)

Frank Owen

WORKS OUT AN ANSWER FOR THE KREMLIN

How about trying a bit of tricky stuff with Stalin?

KOREA, Sept. 5. EVERYONE else in this place is working hard today doing the things soldiers have to do when the chance of action seems near enough to get hussy about.

As homework is not news, I am just sitting and thinking under an apple tree.

This is what I am thinking: Suppose some friend (he would need to be very friendly) suggested to Stalin:—

"Up to now you've had all the fun in Korea, shown what the friends of Russia can do, slapped the Americans' faces, kept out of it yourself while forcing them in, been able to build up a false (but not altogether unsuccessful) propaganda line that they are red-hot warmongers, though not such hot-stuff warmongers."

"But now it looks as if the scene is changing. Why not, therefore, call it a day—before it turns into a thoroughly dirty night?"

NOBLE!

WHAT would Stalin do? If he advised peace, consider what he would get—instead of the red-face he will get if he goes on advising war.

The free and independent People's Republic of North Korea decide, regretfully and reluctantly (for, after all, had not they captured nine-tenths of the country?), to retire of their own initiative and free will, and in the supreme interest of world peace, to Parallel 38, whence they set out to reunite Korea ten weeks ago.

What a gesture! What a sacrifice! What a truly noble and magnanimous people!

And what a wise, far-seeing, and utterly sincere lover of peace that grand

old man Stalin, who gave them the wonderful advice, turned out to be after all. And what first-class fools the rest of us would look, raising armies, building battle fleets, despatching expeditions—all against a little half-nation. Well, well.

NEW LARK

OF course, since the memory of Koreans chasing Americans will not, in this event, have been obliterated by the later picture of Americans and British chasing Koreans all over Asia, the benevolent Mr. Stalin will have done another nice piece of business.

The Western name will sink still lower; the Russian name will rise.

Then a new lark will start, say, in India or Afghanistan. Why do we let them get away with it all? To begin with, the Russian politicians are not at that good, either at war or peace.

Nor is the internal situation in the Soviet Union so very satisfactory to the rulers. Within Stalin's vast, sprawling empire are threatening social and above all, racial tensions.

Beyond the Caspian Sea the Turkmenians, Uzbeks and half a dozen more tribes love Stalin no better than his own Georgians.

In the Ukraine rebel forces are still in the field.

Well, shouldn't we encourage those freedom-lovers as much as any, Stalin, to encourage the Malayans patriots who murder planters' wives for democracy? Since Stalin cares about our dockers' wages, can't we aid his Siberian fishermen a bit in their struggle?

A fair return for paralysing our shipping in London River would surely be to increase his traffic on the Trans-Siberian Railway.

I imagine, for instance, that if Mad Milke Calvert of the Chindits, or Spencer Chapman, or David Stirling of the Desert Rats, began to take an operational interest in that 3,000-mile Russian lifeline, the passenger list would diminish.

FRIGHTENED

WE have all heard of the 13 Frightened Men in the Kremlin. But up to now they have been frightened only of themselves.

All these idle thoughts run through my head as I sit under the apple tree.

—(London Express Service)

PEP-DRUGS FOR HORSES POSE

A SPORTS PROBLEM

'And greyhound vet asks me to keep them secret'



blood could not prove they had been injected.

The research which led to the discovery of the pep-drugs has also disclosed the existence of highly effective dope-drugs. These the scientists tell me, could be given to slow down a racing animal without fear of detection.

The astonishing versatility of the new substances is demonstrated by further facts reported by scientists here. Small doses of ACTH—an injection which stimulates the adrenals to set free extra amounts of their juices—have proved to be the most rapid sobering-up treatment for severe intoxication yet discovered.

A National Greyhound Racing Club veterinary surgeon with whom I spoke urged me to withhold the names of all the drugs. They would remain effective, he told me even if given well in advance of the two pre-race hours during which greyhounds must be under the control of track officials.

Vets have already taken precautions to keep details of the experiments and dosages out of the technical journals. But I am permitted to say that the action of the drugs was discovered during experiments concerned with the new anti-rheumatic agents called ACTH and cortisone.

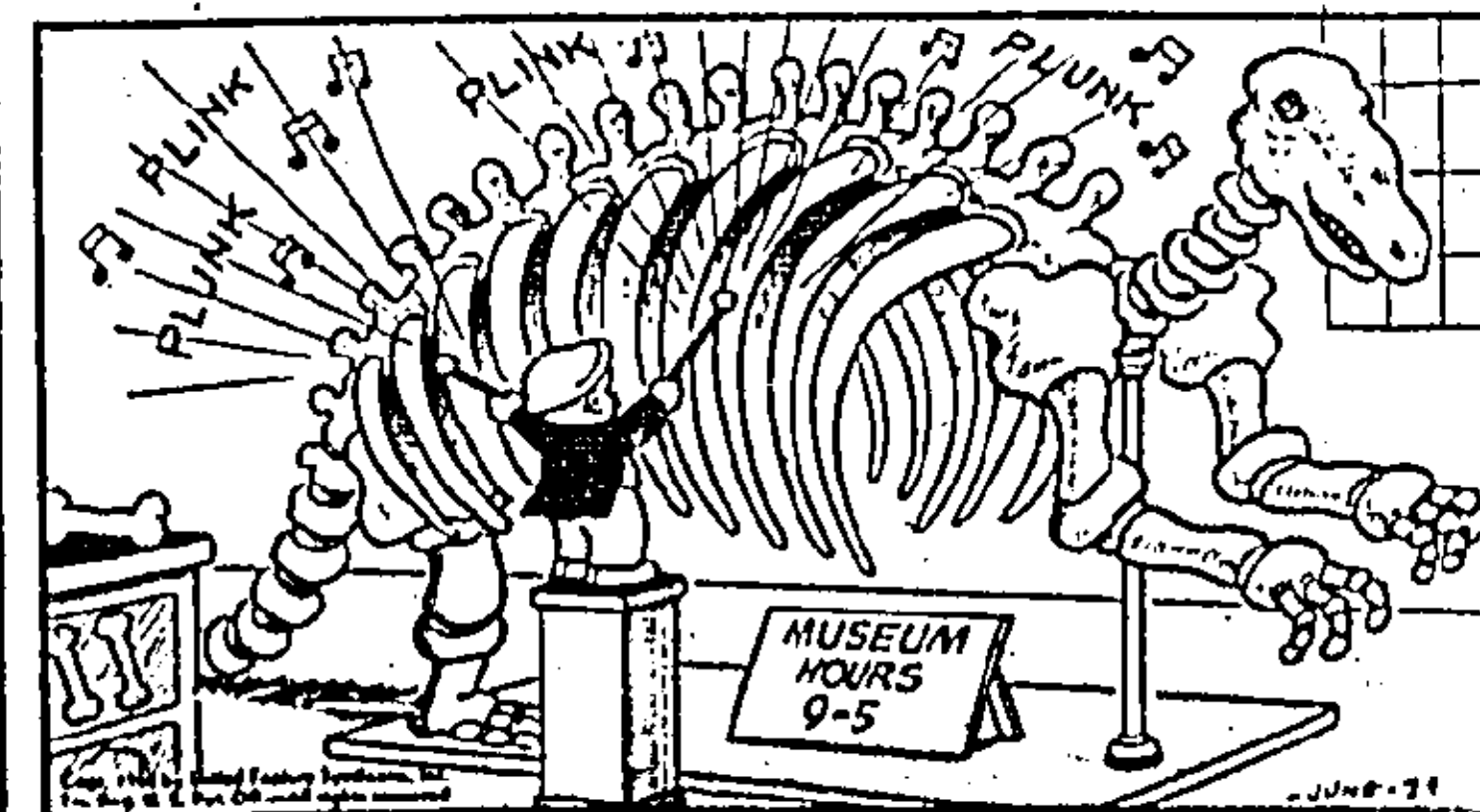
Tests have shown that an injection of one of the pep-drugs can double the distance dogs and other animals can run before they are exhausted.

Veterinary surgeons are rather hoping that further research will show that the pep-drugs have damaging after-effects on animals if given over a long period. This would restrict their use on valuable racehorses and greyhounds they believe.

But that danger has not stopped some French racehorse trainers giving small doses of arsenic "to improve the wind," vets tell me.

—(London Express Service)

NANCY Boning Up



By Ernie Bushmiller



London, Sept. 12.

NEW PLANS

London, Sept. 12

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New York, Sept. 12.

Weather Report, 114.	11:35.	Minister and with Mr Emanuel
Musier, God Save the King; 11:35.	11:35.	Shinwell, the Defence Minister.
Close Down,	11:35.	—Reuter.

London, Sept. 12.

constantly opposed to the national interest.—Router.

6. "Hongkong Calling". Programme Summary; 0.02. "John Bull's Band". British Melodies Old

and New (NBCS); 630, Kentucky
Singers; 645, Saxophone Recital by
Emilio Salonga with Piano Accom-
paniment by Vicente Cristobal
(Studio); 7, "Lucky Dip". Variety
Requests. Presented by Pauline
Spence (Studio); 8 World News
and News Analysis (London Relay);
8.15, "Orchestra of the Week".
The National Symphony: 845. 4

London, Sept. 12.

Lord Tedder, Chairman of the British Military Mission in Washington, arrived at London Airport today from New York for defence talks with Mr Clement Attlee, the Prime Minister, and with Mr Emanuel Shinwell, the Defence Minister.

NOT ACCEPTED

Egypt, it is said here, does not accept this argument. In Cairo official quarters are reported to consider it only as an excuse for prolonged British occupation of Egyptian territory.

TWO FACTORS

There were two factors which might prove decisive—the calculations and designs of the Soviet autocracy in the Kremlin, and the anger of the people in the United States at the treatment they were receiving and

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Mr Churchill, rising amid an enthusiastic demonstration by the Opposition, said that the Conservatives would vote for the Government's motion which asked approval of extended military operations.

AMERICAN AID

Mr Atlee went on to state that the task was to provide for defence without injuring economic strength and stability. Britain started the year with a defence expenditure higher in relation to national income than that of any other Atlantic

PROMPTING?

Mr Churchill asked, "Why did the Government first of all offer Parliament a £100,000,000 plan, whereas a few days later this was superseded by the three years, £1,100,000,000 plan. I gather that the Americans

Demonstration Prevented

London, Sept. 12.

The police tonight prevented about 100 "peace" demonstrators from marching to the United States Embassy in Grosvenor Square, London.

At least 100 policemen

WAGE POLICY

Referring to the recent Trade Union Congress vote, defying the Government's wage policy, Mr Attlee said, "In the difficult

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

BELGIUM TO PURGE CIVIL SERVICE

Brussels, Sept. 12.
The Belgian Government has decided to purge the Government service of civil servants who, by affiliation or otherwise, openly support the activity of revolutionary or anti-national

groups, the Prime Minister, M. Joseph Phollen, announced today.

M. Pholien told reporters that the Government would be responsible to Parliament for its decision.

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JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Slam Double Helps Foe in Play of Hand

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN expert opponents have bid a slam of their own free will, you are not likely to get rich by doubling them. There are exceptions to this rule. Occasionally, you have an absolutely sure setting trick; and you are also aware that the enemy cannot escape to some safer slam contract. Sometimes, if your partner is to make the opening lead, you may double to ask for an unusual lead.

However, slam doubles in general are a losing proposition. It is especially bad to double a slam merely on prospects. "Possible" tricks have a way of vanishing, especially when you put your opponents on guard by doubling.

The grand slam shown today was too ambitious a contract. The culprit was not South, who bid the slam, but North, who jumped to two hearts was for dummy, for North should have had a better fit for clubs or a stronger heart suit.

South found out that his partner had three aces. His bid of four no trump, the Blackwood Convention, asked for aces, and the reply of five spades showed three aces. Now South thought it reasonable to count four spades, four diamonds, two hearts and one club. If North had the king of clubs, that suit would provide two additional tricks. If North lacked the king of clubs, he should have a very strong heart suit, which would then provide the needed tricks.

West knew that something had slipped. He knew that the hearts would produce only three tricks for declarer; and the clubs in his hand looked like good ones against that suit. It looked to him as though declarer could make four spades, four diamonds, three hearts, and only one club.

West's reasoning was excellent up to this point. Nevertheless, his double was a very bad idea since it told declarer how to make thirteen tricks out of twelve.

West opened the eight of spades, and declarer won in his own hand with the king. South cashed the king of hearts, took his four diamonds, and discarded a low heart from his dummy, and then ran the spades.

By this time West was in great trouble. He could save only four cards. Three of those cards had to be hearts to prevent dummy's eight of hearts from becoming established. West therefore had to blank his king of clubs in the hope that declarer would take a finesse anyhow or that his partner had the queen of clubs.

South next cashed the ace and queen of hearts, discarding clubs from his own hand. He then had to win two club tricks to make his slam.

If West had not doubled, South might have taken his club finesse. However, the double practically located the king of clubs and South's only hope was that West had been squeezed on the spades and diamonds.

Declarer therefore led the club from dummy and played the ace from his own hand. Since this dropped the king from the West hand, declarer made his grand slam contract.

West's double would have gained 100 points if it had been successful. Since the double told declarer how to play the hand, it enabled South to win over 2000 points. It was a very poor idea for West to give up more than 2000 points in the attempt to win an extra 100 points for himself.

DUMB BELLS

DOCTOR, IF YOU CAN'T CURE MY HUSBANDS TALKING IN HIS SLEEP CAN YOU GIVE HIM SOMETHING TO MAKE HIM TALK MORE DISTINCTLY?



YOUR BIRTHDAY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

If you are born today, you are an active, energetic individual who must have something going on all the time. You are to be content. Your drives are urgent and once you get an idea, you seldom let it go. You force ahead and accomplish your objective even if it takes a lifetime to accomplish it.

You have tremendous enthusiasm and once you have embarked upon something it is with tremendous energy. Since you have an artistic ability you might do your best work in one of the creative fields. You have a certain ability for money-making and if you learn to conserve your assets, you will never know what it is to want.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

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BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE major concern of the Government, and the Opposition now being how to Keep Fit, it is welcome news that this problem is to be taken more seriously than hitherto.

For this reason the recent cry from one of the benches, "Is there a doctor in the House?" may have been intended as more than a mere jest. The House will gradually assume the aspect of a casual clearing station, with nurses and orderlies moving quickly about the lobbies, and doctors reporting to

anxious Whips. Physical drill, gargling, massage, and skipping will be part of the daily routine to ward off the epidemic of giggling, cheering, and hysterical gabbling which has been so noticeable of late. Give Your Member Snub!

Another record
Twelve flying foxes flew from Calcutta to London hanging upside down in a plane.

(News Item.)
No wonder, as the fool said when they told him that three Arabian grocers had eaten barley for four hours and six minutes with their hals on.

Nothing to do with me
Someone has invented a "kennel fitted with a microphone, clock, and horn."

Why? So that, if the dog barks early in the morning, the owner would not be awakened, and therefore would miss the barking he doesn't want to hear. Without the clock, he would be awakened by the barking, but wouldn't know the time. Without the horn, water wouldn't spray in all directions. Another way would be to wake himself by having the hose trained on him and timed to spout water at midnight. He could then go to the kennel to check the time and wait for the dog to begin barking. Either way, it is a hard life.

Suet explains
ASKED how he had arrived at the conclusion that increases in the price of coal, gas, electricity and other things would have no effect on the cost of living, "suet" talking about.

CHARLIE SUET said: "It is a matter of statistics and the cost of living index. The whole position must be viewed from the point of view of the individual at any given moment but from the wider standpoint of overall figures. When an individual pays more for what he has to buy he naturally thinks the cost of living has increased. But the speeches of the responsible Ministers and their adjustment of relevant statistics to larger bodies and longer periods should reassure him that, in spite of appearances to the contrary, a rise in prices at this moment is a sign of healthy recovery, and may even lower the cost of living."

(London Express Service)

HE WON BY INCHES
By T. O. HARE
MY nephew, Harry Hare, a thirteen-year-old boy, has won the first prize in the school chess competition.

Harry told me, "between our school and the school of the other side, we had three runners. The scores were tallied on a points basis—1 point for a first place, 2 for a second place, and so on. We won by a margin of 10 points. I secured the lowest aggregate. There were no dead heats."

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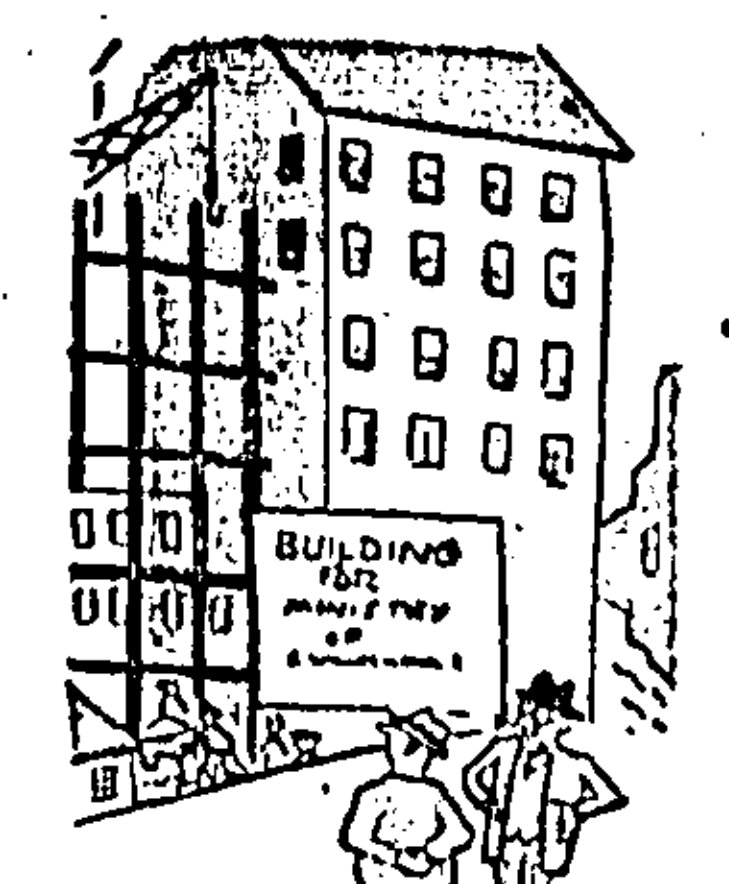
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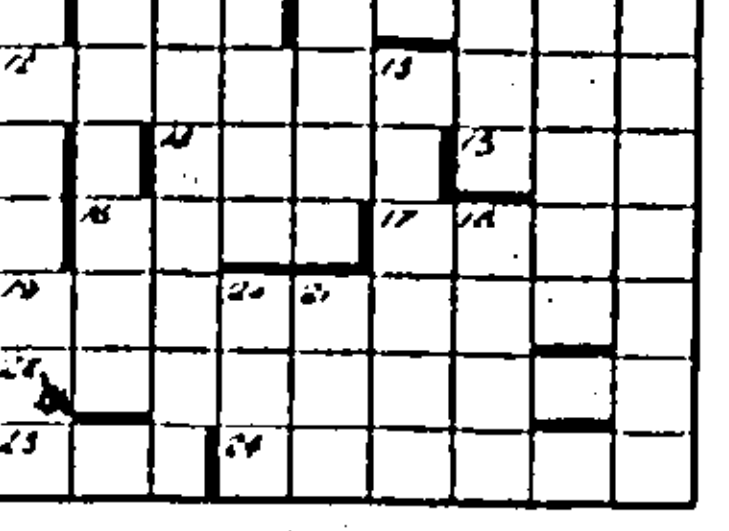
POCKET CARTOON



"We're really tackling the housing shortage now. This new building is to house staff dealing entirely with the problems of the homeless."

(London Express Service)

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France May Lead In Re-imposing Allocations

(BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

The initiative for a move in the direction of re-introducing wartime allocation schemes for various raw materials is likely to come from France. It is pointed out here that France is particularly hard hit by the present high price of raw materials.

London, Sept. 12.

While America is concerned about the high price of Empire products such as wool, rubber and tin, other Western countries have for a long time been critical of officially supported prices of American food products and cotton.

Britain has been lucky enough to offset her loss on purchases of American commodities by exports of high-priced Empire products. But France has been trapped between the two fires.

There are two reasons why it is considered here that re-introduction of wartime allocation controls will soon be imposed: first, defence programmes undertaken by Atlantic Pact countries must result in a degree of inflation which high commodity prices will inevitably "colorate" second, concern is felt about Russian buying which is having the effect of accentuating the shortage of raw materials and thus contributing to high prices, and also of enabling Russia to obtain materials which could be useful for war purposes.

LESS URGENT
But it seems now the latter consideration—though still regarded important—especially by America—is less urgent than the need to curb inflationary pressure. In any case, any allocation schemes would probably automatically exclude Russia.

Dangers of inflation cannot be denied. Every step in building up of defence forces is in the nature of things a step to inflation. The governments concerned are now trying to find a formula to prevent inflationary pressure from getting out of hand.

According to the Manchester Guardian, M. Schumann, at the meeting of Foreign Secretaries, will urge immediate steps to control prices and allocate supplies of important raw materials.

The official British view is not yet known, although there is plenty of unofficial support for the view that allocations should be re-introduced. Enlightenment may come when Mr. Gaithe tells the House of Commons tomorrow what economic measures Government proposes to take to offset the inflationary tendencies of the defence programme.

There is a considerable amount of controversy here over the form these measures should take. It is pointed out that the Government has the choice of imposing direct controls or monetary restriction involving interest rates.

The danger in discussing the relative merits of direct or monetary controls is in losing sight of the main purpose of science programmes. We are not preparing for war, but to preserve peace programmes are therefore, if they are to succeed, essentially long-term measures. Direct controls can suppress inflationary pressure but they cannot do so for long.

All these acts will have to be considered in any examination of the present economic situation.

Business continued to look up this morning on the Stock Exchange. An increased volume was recorded, with rates advancing in many instances.

The turnover was 224,398. Transactions and noon closing prices were:

SHARPS BUYERS SELLERS
HONGKONG ... 1100 ... 20 @ 1140
East Asia ... 1100 ... 20 @ 1140
Union ... 40 @ 620

SHIPPING
Asia ... 62 1/2 @ 10,000 @ 62 1/2
Docks etc.
K. Wharf ... 7 1/2
N. Wharf ... 7 1/2
Provision ... 40
Shat Dock ... 3 3/4
Wharfedale ... 10 1/2

LAND ETC.
HK Hotel ... 6 1/2
HK Land ... 3 1/2
Shal Land ... 1 3/4
Wharfedale ... 10 1/2

UTILITIES
Tram ... 10 1/2
Electric ... 2 1/2
Gas ... 2 1/2
Water ... 2 1/2

INDUSTRIALS
Comment ... 8 1/2
Straits ... 10 1/2
Daily ... 10 1/2

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Water ... 10 1/2
Electric ... 10 1/2

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Regulating Stockpiles

Washington, Sept. 12.

The new National Production Authority was reported today to be drafting its first order limiting industrial stockpiles of scarce and strategic materials.

A spokesman said the order probably will be issued later this week. It is aimed at making plenty of materials available for war production.

The agency's order No. 1 is expected to put limits on private stockpiling of a number of scarce materials, including steel and copper.

The Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Charles Sawyer, and the National Production Administration, Mr. William Harrison, met today to discuss problems affecting their industry. Other than formally organising an industry advisory committee, no decisions were reached. United Press.

LONDON TIN MARKET

London, September 12.

After a firm opening today, tin prices closed at the end of the official morning session as follows:

The turnover was 200 tons.
Spot buyers ... 700
Spot sellers ... 701
Business done ... 704
Three-months sellers ... 704
Business done ... 704
Settlement ... 704

United Press

New York Metal Quotations

New York, September 12.

Prices in the metal market here closed today unchanged with the following exceptions:

Antimony, American, 90-15 percent, grade B (bulk) ... 33
Tin, grade A (90-15 percent) ... 100-4
Scrap steel, for per ton ... 23-4
(No. 1 heavy medium) ... 23-4

United Press

Rubber Markets

Singapore, Sept. 12.

Rubber futures closed today as follows:

Number 1 per lb.
September ... 150 1/4-150 1/2
October ... 147 1/4-147 1/2
November ... 144 1/4-144 1/2
December ... 141 1/4-141 1/2
January ... 138 1/4-138 1/2
February ... 135 1/4-135 1/2
March ... 132 1/4-132 1/2
April ... 129 1/4-129 1/2
May ... 126 1/4-126 1/2
June ... 123 1/4-123 1/2
July ... 120 1/4-120 1/2
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